

State of California

Respiratory Care Board

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Inquiry: I am wondering if it is within a RT's scope of practice to administer formula

feedings, via gastronomy tube, in a licensed skilled nursing facility.

Response: Please be advised that the Respiratory Care Practice Act (RCPA) contains

no prohibition regarding the performance of formula feedings via

gastronomy tube by licensed RCPs. Therefore, the RCB is mute on this

matter.

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